

# **ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH** 277 E. Montello St, Montello, WI 53949

### **GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH** 241 E 6th St. , Westfield, WI 53964

Parish Office Hours Tuesday –Thursday 8:00 AM–3:00 PM Friday 8:45 AM –12:00 Noon



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January 9, 2022

# The Baptism of the Lord

Mass ScheduleTuesday :5:15 PM (Good Shepherd)Wednesday:8:00 AM (St. John the Baptist)Thursday:8:30 AM (Good Shepherd)Friday :8:00 AM (St. John the Baptist)Saturday:4:00 PM (St. John the Baptist)5:30 PM (Good Shepherd)Sunday:8:00 AM (St. John the Baptist)10:00 AM (Good Shepherd)

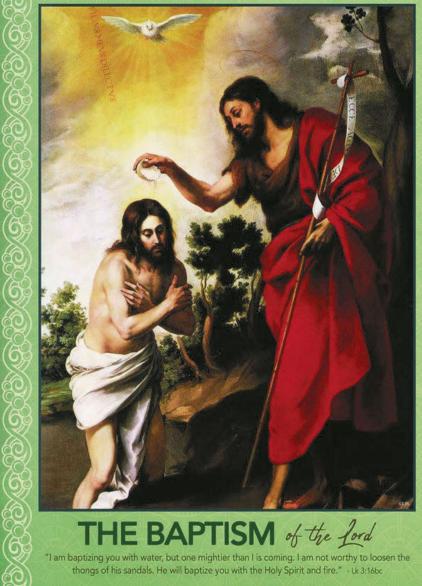
Reconciliation SJB: First Friday (8:45 -9:45 AM) Saturday: 3:15 to 3:45 PM) GS: First Tuesday (4:15-5:00 PM) Sunday (9:30–9:50 AM) For Sacrament of Anointing or individual Reconciliation, please call Father Savio.

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Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

# FROM THE PASTOR

#### Baptism of the Lord January 9, 2022

"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."

— Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear. The following parishioners are celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries this week



#### Happy Birthday

1/9-Keegan Johnston 1/9-Mike Kreeger 1/10-James Hoffa 1/10-McKenna Phillips 1/10-James Schmitz 1/10-Tom Treder

1/11-Ethan Stolpa 1/14-Guillermo Calleros 1/15-Al Chmielewski 1/11-Joe Stolpa 1/15-Joseph Glimme

#### Happy Anniversary

1/14-John & Jane Lloyd 1/14-David & Mary Scarce



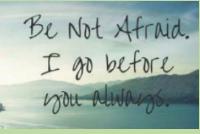
Please help us in keeping accurate records of your date of birth and date of marriage. If you do not see your special date listed, please contact the parish office so we may update our database. If you are celebrating a special anniversary and would like your anniversary blessed at Mass, please call the parish office.

#### **Bulletin Deadlines**

The deadline for making contributions to the <u>January 16th</u> <u>bulletin</u> is: Wednesday, January 12th at 11 a.m.



#### Go Make Disciples Corner



In the new year 2022: The Go Make Disciples teams pray for all members of the Church, that we heed the words of Christ--"do not be afraid"--and be strengthened by the Holy Spirit's gift of

courage, give witness to the Gospel and share our faith with others.

• Like To Register for St. John the Baptist or Good Shepherd Parish? Circle which church you are registering for Fill out your name and address below and place in the offertory basket.

Name

Address

\_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# A Look Back at 2021 (continued):

We continue our reflection of the old year from last week, looking back on our church memories: **October:** 

06: Pet Blessings at both chruches

- 09: SJB-Harvest Fest
- 11: GS-Funeral Mass for Bob Selenske
- 12: SJB-Funeral Mass for Genevieve Krueger
- 17: Youth Mass & Fellowship at both churches; Birthday celebrations for 90+ parishioners Paul Schwochert, Helen Ford & Delores Smrz at SJB
- 19: SJB-Funeral Mass for Peggy Gister
- 29: SJB-Healing Mass
- 31: GS-New organ blessing

#### November:

02: SJB-Cemetery Mass

- 03: GS-Youth Adoration
- 06: SJB-Funeral Mass for Tom Cotter Jr.

07: Bishop Hying visits both churches and dedicates Stained Glass Windows at GS with special presentation and luncheon

- 10: SJB-Turkey Dinner and GS Turkey Dinner takeout
- 12: SJB-Funeral Mass for Donald Utter
- 17: SJB-Youth Adoration
- 20: SJB-Holiday Trail and Craft Fair
- 20: GS-Hunters Beef Dinner
- 27: SJB-Funeral Mass for Jay Smith

#### December:

- 02: SJB-St. Ann's CCW Christmas Luncheon
- 02: GS-Healing Mass
- 02: Advent Holy Hour begins at GS
- 03: Advent Holy Hour begins at SJB
- 08: SJB-Lessons and Carols presented by both churches with fellowship
- 11: SJB-Live Nativity. GS-Community Live Nativity
- 12: GS-Parish Christmas Potluck
- 14: SJB-Holy Name Men's Group Christmas party
- 15: GS-Communal Penance Service
- 18: GS-Funeral Mass for Elaine Schraufnagel
- 21: GS-Memorial Mass for Mary Diana Sabaj
- 21: GS-Men's Group Christmas party
- 30: GS-Funeral Mass for Stewart Nehls

#### **Collection For Tornado Victims**

Many thanks to everyone who donated to the special collection for the victims of the tornados in Kentucky and other southern states. If you still wish to donate to this fund, please place your donations in an envelope marked "Tornado Victims" and drop it in the collection basket or return it to the parish office. We will forward the funds to the Diocese of Madison on January 20th.

#### New Parishioners:

<u>St. John the Baptist</u> David Biedrzycki Magen Kerner Family Evelyn McCreary Ann O'Donnell Family Craig Remour Jamie & Briana Enger Good Shepherd Bill & LeAnn Dawson Nikki Edwards Family Jay & Rene Sayre Bonnie Strzelec Family Lisa Sweet Gary & Roxanne Weihert

I am blessed by the faith and devotion of our parish members on display here in our many parish happenings!

We thank God for the gift of 2021 as we look ahead and pray for more blessings in 2022! -Father Savio





Parish Mission with Deacon Ralph Poyo | April. 1-6, 2022

We are blessed to have four amazing talks presented by the dynamic Deacon Ralph Poyo sharing how our faith is relevant in our everyday life. Deacon Ralph is a magnetic and gifted speaker who travels all over the United States preaching and captivating audiences. He has experienced how God seeks to

transform us at the very core of our being. Who should listen to the mission?

- Parents seeking to lead their kids to heaven
- Teens who think that church is boring
- Young adults who feel like the church has nothing for them
- Seniors who think they have heard it all

Deacon Ralph teaches how to bring others to Jesus and then get out of the way. Ages 13 and up will enjoy Deacon Ralph's presentations.

# Choir Rehearsals Resume

Maybe you resolved to become more active in our parishes in 2022? If so, how about joining one of our parish choirs. Our choirs are very much in need of additional voices, so please give prayerful consideration to joining our groups. Good Shepherd's choir will rehearse this Monday, January 10th at 6:30 pm. St. John's choir will rehearse on Wednesday, January 12th at 6pm.

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Look at our bulletin or bulletins from other churches on line at www.seekandfind.com or www.parishesonline.com JANUARY 9, 2022



# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Mission Statement

"We, the Marquette County Catholic community of St. John the Baptist parish in Montello, Evangelize, Catechize and Serve pastorally, financially and spiritually through the Sacraments, through the word of God and Holy Eucharist and through the imitation of our Blessed Mother Mary, our spiritual mother."

### St. John the Baptist Contribution Information:

December 24, 25 & 26, 2	2021	
Envelopes & Offertory	\$	2,630.00
Christmas	\$	2,055.92
Solemnity of Mary / New	Year's	\$ 10.00
Liturgical Environment	\$	50.00

#### January 1 & 2, 2022

Envelopes & Offertory	\$	2,427.02
Solemnity of Mary / New	Year's	\$ 449.00
Building Fund	\$	110.00
Tornado Victims	\$	768.00

#### Year-to-date Contributions

Amount Needed Weekly	\$ 3,269.23
YTD Contributions Received:	\$ 95,088.72
YTD Contributions Needed:	\$ 88,269.21
Difference:	\$ 6,819.51

Thank you for your contribution! God Bless You!

#### **Christmas Un-Decorating**

Sadly, it's time to remove the Christmas decorations from our church. We'll do that this Wednesday, January 12th immediately following our morning Mass. We welcome anyone who'd like to come and help.



#### Soup & Sandwich

Join us for Soup & Sandwich on Wednesday, January 12th from 4:30 to 6 p.m. The Father Marquette Center will be set up for dining. If you wish to be added to the homebound delivery list, and you live

in the city limits of Montello, please call the parish office at (608) 297-7423.

## Calling All Women: January 11, 2022

Please plan to join St. Ann's CCW at 1 pm on Tuesday, January 11 for our meeting.

## Upcoming Ministers' Schedule Servers:

Saturday 1/15- 4 p.m.: Ellie Cotter Sunday 1/16- 8 a.m.: Brody Treder, Elwood Treder



Lector: Saturday 1/15- 4 p.m.: Linda Cotter Sunday 1/16- 8 a.m.: Matt Faltz with RE students Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Saturday 1/15- 4 p.m.: Nicole Cotter Sunday 1/16- 8 a.m.: Lucy Williams Ministers of Hospitality: Sat 1/15- 4 p.m.: Tom Cotter, Andy Amend, Bill Gemoll, Georgia Wuteska(G) Sun 1/16-8 a.m.: Dennis Klapper & Youth (G)

#### Xavier Mission Team Hype Night!

- Wednesday, January 26th from 6:30pm-8:00pm
- At St. John the Baptist Parish
- 6th Grade-Confirmation (only)

Join the Xavier Mission Team of the Diocese of Madison for a fun night of games, prayer, and inspiration, as they help our middle school through high school teens discover answers to some of the

biggest questions in life - Why are we here? What does God think of us? St. John the Baptist will have regular classes for 2nd through 4th Grade. This program does not include dinner.



#### **Care Center Mass**

Just a reminder that our Mass on Friday, January 14th will be at the Montello Care Center at 9 a.m. There is no 8 a.m. Mass at St. John's church.

#### Fellowship and Birthday Recognition

We hope you will join us at St. John the Baptist parish on January 16th for our monthly Youth Mass followed by Fellowship with treats and beverages in the Heritage Room. A special table will be set to honor our elders celebrating birthdays in December and January. Stop by after Mass to wish a happy birthday to Irene Treder and Ken Soda.

Our January Fellowship will be hosted by the "Go Make Disciples" team from St. John's.





# Good Shepherd Catholic Church Mission Statement

"We, the Marquette County Catholic community of Good Shepherd parish in Westfield, Evangelize, Catechize and Serve pastorally, financially and spiritually through the Sacraments, through the word of God and Holy Eucharist and through the imitation of our Blessed Mother Mary, our spiritual mother."

#### **Good Shepherd Contribution Information:**

December 24, 25 & 26, 2	2021	
Envelopes & Offertory	\$	3,813.00
Christmas	\$	1,995.00
Building Fund	\$	25.00
Liturgical Environment	\$	15.00
<u>January 1 &amp; 2, 2022</u>		
Envelopes & Offertory	\$	1,588.00
Solemnity of Mary / New	Year's	\$185.00
Building Fund	\$	145.00
Tornado Victims	\$	630.00

#### Year-to-date Contributions

Amount Needed Weekly	\$ 2,384.62
YTD Contributions Received:	\$ 68,360.66
YTD Contributions Needed:	\$ 64,384.74
Difference:	\$ 3,975.92

#### Thank you for your contribution! God Bless You!



#### Youth Adoration

A special time for Adoration will be held for Faith Formation students on Wednesday, January 12th at Good Shepherd from 6-7 p.m. The public is also welcome to come

and spend time with the Blessed Sacrament.

#### **Christmas Un-Decorating**

Today's feast of the Baptism of the Lord brings the Christmas season to a close, so it's time to un-decorate our church. We'll do that this Thursday, January 13th immediately following our 8:30 am Mass. We welcome anyone who'd like to come and offer a hand. There's work for everyone!

#### Fellowship After Mass January 16th

We hope you will join us at Good Shepherd parish on January 16th for our monthly Youth Mass followed by Fellowship with treats and beverages. Our January Fellowship will be hosted by the "Go Make Disciples" team.

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	Upcoming Ministers' Schedule
	Saturday 1/15 - 5:30 p.m.: Grace & Hope Phillis
	Sunday 1/16–10 a.m.: Ben Anason, Lexi Gray
	Lector:
	Saturday 1/15- 5:30 p.m.: Kathy Phillis
	Sunday 1/16-10 a.m.: Kay Martin
	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
	Saturday 1/15- 5:30p.m.: Pauline Petersdorf
	Sunday 1/16- 10 a.m.: Jean Lindauer
	Ministers of Hospitality:
	Sat 1/15– 5:30 p.m.: Jeremy Phillis, Dean Alexander
	Sun 1/16-10 a.m.: Steve Thompson & Youth

### Parish Council and Finance Council Meetings

On the evening of Tuesday, January 11, 2022, both the Good Shepherd Parish Council and the Good Shepherd Finance Council will be meeting in the church basement. The two groups will be meeting separately with the Finance Council meeting at 6:00 p.m., immediately following the 5:15 p.m. Mass; the Parish Council will meet at 7:00 p.m. All parish members are invited to attend both meetings.

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Good Shepherd 2nd grade through 4/5th grade will meet from 5:30pm-6pm at Good Shepherd Parish due to travel for the families with children in multiple grades.

This program does not include dinner.



### We lift up those who have requested the healing grace of God Please pray for them

St. John the Baptist

Mark Kersky Brittany Pirc Katy Rannow Dennis Dubiel Roger Kuphal Wayne Wegner Thomas Donahue Bob Knickerbocker Ron Alexander John Campion Ginny Longtin Eileen Niven Phyllis Kohnke

Good Shepherd Bonnie Seifert Marge Schulte Bob Wojtas Christine Vander Velde Clark Wagner Bernie Weber Maria Willms Donna Folstrom Arlene Pozdolski Katherine Williams



As well as: Pam Bautch, Isaiah Bartz, Michael Gerdes, Chip Kidd, Bernadette Sharpe, Elizabeth Vickers, Regina Lauren Lee, Michelle Buyatt, Arvid Mathison, Ron Maier, Betty Dennison, Samantha Wais, Jeff Freye, Dorothy Anderson, Lucy Schroeder, Tim Anderson, Antonio Dominguez.

If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please call the parish office.

### **PRAYER LIST FOR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN**

Parker Wasson Brian Ballweg Shawn Fields Mitchell Powell Jessica Ballweg Jeremy Ahlstrom Daniel Ahlstrom Christopher Ahlstrom Spencer Sweet Tony Church

**Richard Carter** Brooke Stibbe Matthew Pirc StephenPollie Chad Roum

#### **Readings for the week of January 09, 2022**

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/

Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29 -30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/

Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/ Mk 1:14-20

**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/ Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-1



Monday, January 10-Tuesday, January 11-GS 5:15 p.m. † Stewart Nehls by Bob Vanderhyden

Wednesday, January 12-SJB 8 am: † Dave Brockup by Mary Brockup

Thursday, January 13-St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

GS 8:30 a.m.: † Billy Sawicki by Good Shepherd Men's Group

Friday, January 14-Care Center 9 a.m.: † Genevieve Krueger by Dave & Mona Matijevich

Saturday, January 15-**SJB: 4 p.m. †** Faith Kay Groh by Dave & Mona Matijevich GS 5:30 p.m.: † Nicholas Anderson by Anonymous Sunday, January 16-2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time SJB 8:00am: † Carl Jaeschke by Dennis & Marguerite Schroeder

GS 10:00 am: Good Shepherd & St. John the Baptist parishioners

#### **Offering Mass Intentions**

Offering Mass for a special intention is a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, please contact the parish



office to schedule your intention. The Mass stipend is \$10. Please make checks payable for intentions at either parish to St. John the Baptist Parish.



**Upcoming Events** 

January 11: SJB-CCW Meeting: 1 p.m. SJB-Holy Name: 6:30 p.m. GS-Finance Council: 6 p.m. GS-Pastoral Council: 7 p.m.

January 12: SJB-Soup & Sandwich: 4:30-6 p.m. GS-Youth Adoration: 6-7 p.m.

January 14: Care Center Mass: 9 a.m.

January 16: Youth Mass and Fellowship: both parishes



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